Harry Chapin, Manhood

I was laughing horizontally In my loose and lusty youth

I was feeling well self-satisfied

Deliciously uncouth

When she slipped out from my covers

With a smile

Saying, " You've got a lot to learn, dear boy

It's going to take a while."

She said--

Manhood--Means that you should

Get someone else, beside yourself

Feeling good

You know a real man would

Do much more than you could

You know he'd wonder if he

understood me!

I said, "I see, let's start again."

She said, " You know you never can. "

She put her clothes back on

She straightened up my bed

She hit me with a line

The still does numbers on my head

She says, " Your mind chooses better

Than your hands do

Your heart chooses better

Than your glands do!"

She said--

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So I stood there in my shorts

Feeling naked just the same

With her last few words

I knew I was brand new at the game

She gave her gentle smile

She slipped out through the door

Saying, " You're my first and only love

Just like all my lvoes before."

She said--

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